

Midwifery Advisory Council

Summary of December 6, 2007 Meeting

NOTICE: In an effort to provide prompt information to the public regarding major highlights of Midwifery Advisory Council (MAC) meetings, the following summary has been prepared. Actual meeting minutes are available to the public once they have been approved and adopted by the MAC at a subsequent meeting. This summary is for informational purposes only and is not intended to be the official minutes of the MAC meeting.

- The MAC met on December 6, 2007, at the at the Department of Consumer Affairs, Medical Board of California (MBC), Greg Gorges Conference Room, 1424 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825, at approximately 1 p.m. All six members were present. The minutes of the September 6, 2007 meeting were approved.
- The 2007 California Licensed Midwife Annual Report form and instruction were mailed to all licensed midwives. The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) will receive the reports and provide the data collected, in aggregate form, to the MBC. The MAC asked staff to send a reminder notice to all licensed midwives regarding the final date to submit the report form to OSHPD.
- The MAC discussed several options regarding the development or identification of a program to address remedial training as an option for disciplinary resolution or re-entry to practice after a long absence. Faith Gibson, MAC Chairperson, reported that The National College of Midwifery in New Mexico may be equipped to provide such a training program. The MAC directed staff to contact The National College of Midwifery for further discussion on the matter.
- The MAC re-scheduled its October 9, 2008 meeting to October 23, 2008, and requested staff to report statistical data relating to enforcement and licensing activities of licensed midwives at each meeting.
- The MAC will request the MBC allow them to explore the steps to fully implement SB 1950 as it relates to supervision of licensed midwives and malpractice insurance and medical lab account restrictions.